

State of Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker

## Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Ben Brancel, Secretary

DATE:

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TO:

Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

FROM:

Ben Brancel, Secretary

John Petty, Administrator, Agricultural/Resource Management Division

SUBJECT:

Apiary Program report

PRESENTED BY: Plant Industry Bureau Staff

At the December 10, 2013, Board meeting, the Bureau will present a brief report on our apiary program and activities. The Plant Industry Bureau is responsible for inspecting local hives for honeybee pests and diseases, regulating imported bees, and certifying colonies that leave the state. This presentation will highlight Wisconsin's beekeeping industry and production statistics for 2013, plus current and potential trends that may impact apiculture in our state.